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Arson damage doubles: Cops

Number of incidents in the city holding steady but magnitude of devastation increasing, says leading investigator

Damage costs associated with Calgary arsons have doubled over the past five years, leaving many more innocent residents affected by the actions of a few, says one of the city's leading police investigators.

Staff Sgt. Scott Sampson of the arson unit said his team has handled a typical caseload in recent years but the location and nature of the incidents has seen many more homes affected.

"It really comes down to knowing your neighbours," he advised. "If you see something suspicious, don't sit back and do nothing."

The Calgary Police Service does not track overall damage costs linked to arson, as those numbers often change and are lumped in with other fire incidents, a spokesperson said yesterday.

Sampson, however, who is one of three lead arson investigators, has done some tracking of his own files. He says last year's num-

bers were particularly alarming as total damage costs were pegged at \$27.5 million, up about \$9 million over the two previous years.

This year has also seen a number of devastating arson incidents as well, including one earlier this month that forced crews to demolish a triplex in the 3900 block of 1st Street Northeast. Kaila Ladd was living in the building at the time.

"I wouldn't wish this on my worst enemy," she said yesterday, noting her family is still searching for a new home. "Your world definitely tilts and you're left flailing for a while."

Added relief could be on the way for renters like Ladd, according to Alberta municipal affairs spokesperson Michelle Davio, as the province has consultations planned for both the building and fire code later this year. "It's always something we are looking at," she said. • JEREMY NOLAIS

Dealing with arson

- **Investigations.** Staff Sgt. Scott Sampson says his unit is typically involved in 30 fire investigations each month. Of those, anywhere from 6-10 are actually found to be a result of arson.
- **New legislation.** The Alberta government did pass new legislation in 2009 aimed at lessening damage caused in high-intensity residential fires; however, the new measures do not apply to communities constructed before then.
- **Residential sprinklers.** Calgary city council recently explored making residential sprinklers mandatory in newly built homes; however, they were informed changes would need to be made nationally first and then adopted provincially.

Protest. Signs



► Sophie Fuentes, 19, was one of the younger protesters at the Fairmont Palliser last night.

JEREMY NOLAIS/METRO

Cheney's speech draws critics

A few dozen Calgarians gathered in front of the Fairmont Palliser hotel last night in the hours before a scheduled speech by former U.S. vice-president Dick Cheney. Shouting criticism of the George W. Bush administration that Cheney served in, the protesters remained generally peaceful. No arrests had been reported at press time.



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Woman testifies at torture case

Lindsay Airhart was horrified to see how her former boyfriend had deteriorated from the big, strong, care-free man she had known to the bruised, beaten and emaciated individual lying in a hospital bed looking back at her.

"He was a frail, lifeless body," Airhart said softly from the witness stand. "He looked like he had been starved. He had burn marks inside of his legs. Every couple of inches there was a cut or a bruise. Some were infected. Some were new and some were old."

Airhart was the first witness yesterday at the trial of Dustin Paxton. The Crown alleges Paxton brutalized, tortured and starved his former roommate over a period of years before dropping him off at a Regina hospital in April 2010.

The 31-year-old is charged with aggravated assault, unlawful confinement and sexual assault. The roommate, who just turned 28, can't be named because of a court-ordered publication ban. Paxton has pleaded not guilty to the charges.

Airhart, 29, testified that she and the alleged victim had had a relationship and that even though they eventually split up, they remained good friends.

She described her former boyfriend as being about five-foot-eight and weighing 220 pounds — slightly overweight but a happy and healthy individual. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



17 Avenue crosswalk causes concern

► Two people were transported to hospital with minor injuries Monday morning ► Flashing pedestrian lights were installed in 2004



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After two pedestrians were struck at a 17 Avenue intersection Monday, one business owner is pushing for an upgrade to the area crosswalk.

Although flashing lights denote a crosswalk at the intersection of 17 Avenue and 15 Street Southwest, Sean Carter, owner of BikeBike, said he's had too many close calls.

"Every day that I cross that crosswalk, it is an ab-

solute death trap," he said, adding he doesn't let his eight-year-old son cross alone. "I myself have almost been hit numerous times."

Joe Shackleton commutes on his bicycle and uses the intersection five days a week and said he wasn't surprised to learn of the recent pedestrian collision.

"Without a doubt, it's the most difficult part (of my commute)," said Shackleton. "There's been many instances where I'm halfway through the inter-

section and a car will blow right through."

Spokesperson for city transportation Julie Yepishina-Geller said when the pedestrian lights were installed seven years ago, the traffic volume didn't warrant anything further.

"That specific area, we consider it to have a pretty good visibility," she said, adding those with concerns should file a 311 complaint.

"We obviously can be everywhere at all times so we kind of count on people, if they're finding is-

Assessing roads

- There are 15,000 lane kilometres of road in Calgary, according to Julie Yepishina-Geller.
- She said all 3-1-1 calls are placed in the queue and followed up on by the city.
- Intersections are evaluated on a warrant system to determine what pedestrian signage is necessary.

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► Student Allysha Beaulieu stands in her new dorm at the Mustard Seed. She encourages other students wanting a unique experience to move in.

Shelter opens its doors to students

► Aims to build community ties and promote change

 **JEREMY NOLAIIS**
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Cheap rent, an appealing downtown location and a firsthand glimpse of the struggles faced by Calgary's homeless every day are among the attractions of the city's newest student-housing option.

The Mustard Seed has opened up some unused dorm rooms to ambitious learners, who live, eat and partake in activities with impoverished individuals

staying at its shelter on 11th Avenue Southwest.

Renters pay \$400 a month for a furnished dorm, 10 prepared meals a week and Internet access, said Byron Bradley, students ministries manager.

"We thought, 'Let's create a space where they can live and have a very intentional opportunity to live among the poor and our community, so they can help address the root cause of poverty,'" he said.

Two students have taken the Mustard Seed up on its

offer, and Bradley says more tours are planned.

Allysha Beaulieu, a 22-year-old cross-cultural ministry student from Saskatchewan, moved into one of the dorms three weeks ago. She described the experience as eye-opening.

"I went in thinking I knew quite a bit about street people and homelessness," she said. "Then I went downstairs and had supper with them and realized I know absolutely nothing."

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Conditions loosened for young killer

A southern Alberta girl convicted in the murder of her parents and brother when she was 12 has been granted another bit of freedom.

Starting in November, the girl, who is now 17, will no longer have to report to a halfway house at night.

Justice Scott Brooker made the ruling at a hearing in Medicine Hat yesterday.

It is the fourth and final stage of an intensive reintegration program that is part of the girl's sentence. She must still abide by a dozen conditions, which include a curfew, continued treatment and a ban on drug use. She must also stay in Alberta and either work or attend school.

She is to be fully released without supervision when she turns 22.

The girl was convicted along with her boyfriend,

Jeremy Steinke, of murdering her family in 2006 because her parents were displeased with the relationship. Steinke was 23 at the time, and her parents felt he was too old for their daughter.

He is serving a life sentence with no parole eligibility for 25 years.

Crown prosecutor Ramona Robins explained that the four and a half years the girl will be under supervision in the community is like youth parole: "If she violates any of these conditions, she'll find herself back in custody." **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Robber makes prison break

► Individual has been found guilty in five Calgary bank robberies ► He is believed to have family locally



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Staff at a west-central Alberta prison are puzzled over the actions of an inmate, convicted in five Calgary bank robberies, who walked away from a work release site overnight Monday.

Dennis Paul Haines had

been at the Grand Cache Institution since being found guilty in January 2008.

Acting warden Paul Bailey described the 38-year-old as a model prisoner who had been involved with work-release programs outside of the institution's perimeter for the past six months.

"It makes no sense what

he did," Bailey said yesterday.

Haines, two fellow inmates and two prison guards were working to remove downed trees from Wabasso Campground in Jasper National Park on Monday and then stayed in cabins on-site overnight, Bailey said. At some point between 11 p.m. and 6 a.m., he left the camp and



► Dennis Paul Haines

hasn't been seen since.

Anyone with information on his whereabouts is asked to call Jasper RCMP at 780-852-4848 or Crime Stoppers.

News in brief

Hunt continues for missing woman

Alberta RCMP conducted a re-enactment yesterday in hopes of yielding new clues in the search for a missing autistic woman.

Desiree Oldwoman, 20, was last seen Aug. 27 at her home on the Siksika reserve, about an hour's drive east of Calgary. She is described

as a native woman, five-foot-four and 165 pounds. ● METRO

Dad charged with making porn

The Alberta Law Enforcement Response Team's internet child exploitation unit (ICE) has charged an Edmonton father, 37, with allegedly making and distributing pornography of his daughter.

The seven-year-old victim and her two siblings are in protective custody.

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Manila inundated by deadly waves

- Philippine capital cleans up after typhoon floods kill at least 18
- Some areas remain flooded

Emergency services and residents in the Philippine capital cleaned up and restored electricity today, local time, after a powerful typhoon unleashed floodwaters that killed at least 18 people and sent huge waves crashing over seawalls.

Most deaths occurred in and around metropolitan Manila, which already was soaked by heavy monsoon rains ahead of the arrival of Typhoon Nesat, which brought more downpours and wind gusts of up to 150 kilometres per hour.

The typhoon blew out of the Philippines today packing winds of 120 km/h and was expected to make landfall on China's Hainan Island tomorrow evening or

Two-year mark

The massive flooding came exactly a day after this coastal city of 12 million held commemorations for the nearly 500 people killed during a 2009 cyclone.

early Friday.

The Philippine disaster agency said 35 people were still unaccounted for and that 108 had been rescued.

Power supply was gradually restored to the downtown area, which was strewn with trash and fallen bamboo pieces washed ashore by storm surges. The Metro Rail Transit also resumed operations.

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► A woman arrives at an evacuation centre with her baby after being rescued by police at the height of Typhoon Nesat yesterday in Manila.

Hundreds injured in China transit crash

A Shanghai subway train crashed into a stopped train during a signal failure yesterday, injuring more than 270 people, none seriously, in the latest trouble for the newly expanded transportation system in China's com-

mercial centre.

The signal failure meant trains on Line 10 were being directed via phone by subway staff instead of electronic signals and thus were running at lower speeds.

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Tories force early vote on controversial crime bill

The Conservative government is using its majority muscle to push through Parliament a massive crime bill that provides

harsher penalties for pot growers than pedophiles.

Justice Minister Rob Nicholson said the legislation "is an investment to better protect Canadians in their homes and make them feel safer in their communities." But just how large an investment, and how it will impact crime levels, remain open questions. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Saggy-pants ban earns U.S. city \$4K

Officials in Georgia say a city's ban on saggy pants has generated nearly \$4,000 in fines in less than a year.

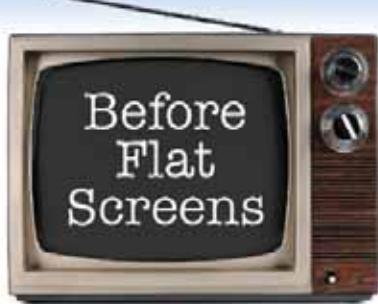
Albany attorney Nathan Davis says 187 citations have been issued since the ordinance went into effect

Nov. 23, according to the Albany Herald. The ordinance bans anyone from wearing pants or skirts more than eight centimetres below the top of the hips, exposing the skin or undergarments.

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Satellite makes a splash in the ocean

U.S. space officials have figured out where that dead NASA satellite fell back to Earth on Saturday.

NASA now says satellite debris scattered over the south Pacific Ocean — far away from large land masses.

NASA says the U.S. Air Force calculated the satellite entered Earth's atmosphere generally above American Samoa.

But pieces of it did not start hitting the water for another 480 kilometres to the northeast, southwest of Christmas Island.

On Saturday, scientists said it was possible some pieces could have reached northwestern Canada. But NASA said yesterday new calculations show it landed earlier than they thought.

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Costume put on ice

An ice cream shop in Ocala, Fla., admits it's licked: It has had to get rid of its ice cream mascot because passersby kept mistaking him for something less innocent — a hooded Ku Klux Klan protester.

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Housing market cooling: Report

► Consumer caution spilling over into real estate sales ► House prices expected to level off over the next couple of years, Scotiabank says

Canada's housing market stands out globally for its strength, but economic uncertainty and weaker consumer confidence could deter new buyers, a Scotia Economics report says.

It says Canada's housing market is notable for its "resilience and longevity."

But even though Canadian real estate prices were up five per cent year

over year in the April to June period, they started to level out in July and August, Adrienne Warren, a Scotiabank senior economist, said yesterday.

"I think the other factor we've seen in the slowing and softening of prices just reflects the fact that the housing market itself has become fairly balanced between the number of buyers and sellers out there,"

she said.

"If anything, I think the cooling off in prices is positive for longer-term affordability for buyers."

While interest rates are expected to remain low for some time, the Canadian economy is showing signs of losing some momentum, a factor that would affect house purchases.

"So the question mark will be to keep an eye on

On the house

► Of the nine major developed markets tracked by the Scotia Economics report, only Canada, France and Switzerland showed housing-price increases year over year.

the job market," she said.

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► Canada's real estate market is weakening, but at a slower pace than most other markets in the developed world, a Scotiabank report says.

Alone time important: Facebook co-founder

One of the founders of Facebook says that even he needs a break from social media from time to time.

Chris Hughes told business leaders in Montreal yesterday that while he cherishes the power of Facebook and Twitter, they can't replace old-fashioned human contact.

"I want to continue to live in a world where people can sit through a meal without looking at a phone," he said. "I want to have days when I only spend a little bit of time in front of a screen."

Hughes was among the small group of Harvard students who helped Mark Zuckerberg found Face-

book in 2004. He also served as head of online organizing for Barack Obama's 2008 presidential campaign.

These two achievements alone are likely to secure him a key spot in the modern history of the Internet, never mind an estimated net worth of \$700 million.

But Hughes also described the limits of social media, noting the inherent tension between connectivity and privacy.

"Most of the time I don't want all of my friends knowing exactly where I am at every moment and exactly what I'm doing," he said.

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► Chris Hughes, co-founder of Facebook, says even he likes a little privacy sometimes. He spoke about social media yesterday in Montreal.



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News in brief

iPhone event set for Oct. 4

HYPE MOUNTING. Apple will likely roll out its long-awaited iPhone 5 on Oct. 4, reports suggest. An iPhone event is scheduled

for that date at company headquarters in Cupertino, Calif. While the company has not released details, tech watchers believe it will unveil the new iPhone. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Nokia's top phone on sale

N9 LAUNCH. Nokia has be-

gun shipping its top N9 smartphone, ahead of the Windows Phone 7 launch expected later this year.

Nokia says the N9 has free navigation and voice-guided maps, storage ranging from 16GB to 64GB and a swipe feature to return to the home screen. It sells for \$480 to \$560.

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RIM stock jumps amid rumours of Carl Icahn investing

One of Research In Motion's Canadian shareholders says it would support U.S. investor Carl Icahn buying into the Waterloo, Ont., BlackBerry maker.

"It's been poor execution and poor innovation, and Apple has galloped ahead," said Vic Alboini of Jaguar Financial, which has pressed for changes at RIM. He made the comments after RIM shares rose more than five per cent in afternoon trading yesterday (closing up 3.6 per cent) in the wake of reports Icahn is buying into the firm.

Icahn has taken stakes in many big U.S. companies — from Motorola to Clorox — and forced them to restructure and become more profitable.

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A TORTURE APOLOGIST AND A TRAFFIC OBSTRUCTOR

JUST SAYIN' ...

PAUL SULLIVAN
METRO



Yesterday, at the end of a long day of strategic communications, the usual route home was blocked by police barriers, the sort of thing traffic reporters call a "police incident," a long, unexplained delay leading to gridlock.

The barriers, it turned out, were for former U.S. vice-president Dick Cheney, who was giving a talk at the Vancouver Club, the local pinnacle of snoot, and for the horde of protesters milling around the club demanding his speedy arrest, trial and conviction as a war criminal.

It's bad enough he's thought of as a war criminal. He compounds his Darth Vader reputation by impeding the free flow of traffic.

Dick Cheney: putative war criminal ... and pylon.

Cheney was invited to speak in Vancouver by the Bon Mot Book Club, which has a definite "Let them eat cake" tilt to it. And speaking of cake, I hope they serve cherry slice at their meetings, and if they do, I hope they invite me. It's my favourite.

Meanwhile, out on the street, at the barricades, the righteously indignant from the StopWar Coalition et al. wanted Cheney and the Bon Mot members to choke on

their \$500-a-plate rubber chicken. They see Cheney as the evil mastermind of all that's wrong with U.S. foreign policy going back to the '80s, when as the congressman from Wyoming he voted against an initiative to free Nelson Mandela. It hasn't helped his brand that he managed to dodge the draft at the beginning of his career and, near the end, shot his hunting buddy instead of a quail. Oops.

In between, he waged war on half the world and approved of interrogation 'techniques' such as water boarding and sleep deprivation, also known as 'torture.'

Even worse, he remains truculently unapologetic for any of it. His memoir, which he's currently flogging, is a 576-page un-apology that infuriates his critics. He has even infuriated his colleagues, such as former Secretaries of State Colin Powell and Condoleezza Rice, by calling them sissies.

Still, to stomp your feet and holler inarticulate clichés does nothing to thwart a nasty old hombre like Dick Cheney. Maybe it makes you feel better, but it leads to indigestion among the members of the Bon Mot Book Club and doesn't do much for weary columnists who would really like to get home, thank you. You've got to wonder who they're going to invite to their next meeting. Hitler's dead ... isn't he?

Read more of Paul Sullivan's columns at metronews.ca/justsaying



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Letters

Wow! Why the hell would you put a picture of a matador killing a bull as the picture of the day!?

It is so cruel!!! And not to mention graphic! What the hell is wrong with you people?! I usually find no problem with Metro, but this is disgusting! I've lost a lot of respect for this paper. You should start putting more humane pictures as the picture of the day.

Wow. Shows how heartless the world really is these days.

MARISSA CLAVETTE, HALIFAX

RE: Is Sarah Palin a bad mom? published Sept. 26

You owe Sarah Palin an apology for giving a forum to that liberal ass-kisser parental expert.

Maybe if you would take your head out of the sand and watch the news, you would find out Palin is threatening to file legal action against Random House, as being reported by ABC News and Breitbart TV.

There are a gazillion topics a mother can tell or teach her children and Sarah Palin has more class in her little finger than your parental expert has in her whole body.

R.C. DEVUONO, WINNIPEG

Local tweets



► @chidesyy: So much drama in downtown #yyc. Very interesting.

► @Nikkleight: Just turned off my car and put on the park break #yyc the accident isn't at MacLeod and 25th it's further north #radiolies

► @Snorplebaple: Oh 9th ave, you're always an adventure for a girl waiting for the bus. #yyc

► @Greyly_b: Am I an idiot for expecting ANY of today's hiphop releases to be in at chinook hmv? #yyc

► @Gmmactar: Go grab a dog, friend or lover and check out the finished #yyc River Walk.

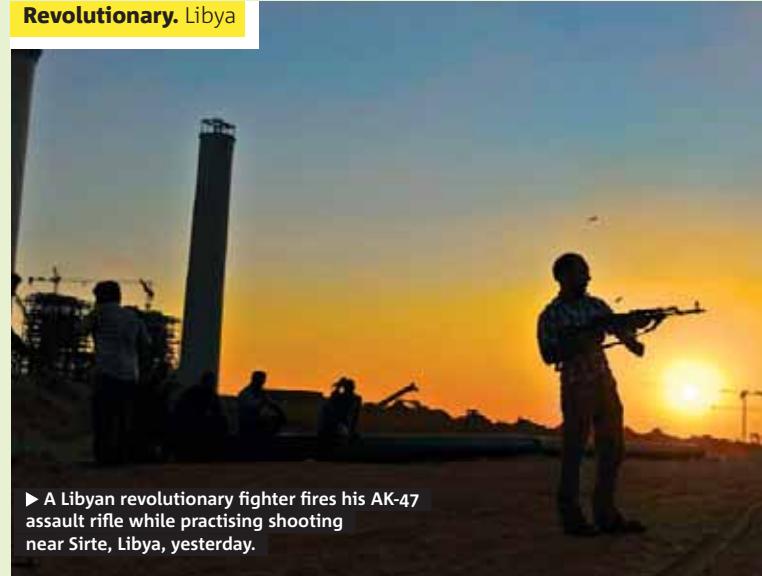
► @Sanja_Jovanovic: Protest #yyc

on 1st st and 10ave. "Dick Cheney you're a butcher" is the chant. Interesting #yyc. Very interesting.

► @tklongmire: All gas is shut down on Steven Ave #yyc meaning I can't get dinner before class. Beer, however, is still being served

► @NickfromCalgary: What is the point in protesting a former Vice President? If anything these people are massaging Cheney's ego. #yyc

Revolutionary, Libya



► A Libyan revolutionary fighter fires his AK-47 assault rifle while practising shooting near Sirte, Libya, yesterday.

BELA SZANDELSZKY/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Photo of the day

Libyan forces battled their way into the eastern outskirts of Moammar Gadhafi's hometown of Sirte, commanders said, in a bid to link up with anti-Gadhafi fighters besieging the city from the west and seize control of the loyalist stronghold.

WEIRD NEWS

You've heard of sun tanning in the nude, but it doesn't stop there ...

A man who scrubbed his pickup truck in the nude at a U.S. car wash has been sentenced to a year of probation.

Robert E. Bailey pleaded guilty on Monday to open and gross conduct for being naked at Economy Car

Wash in North Attleborough, Mass. on May 31.

The Sun Chronicle reports that a woman vacuuming her vehicle at the business called police after she saw the 65-year-old Bailey in the nude.

Police say Bailey was wearing shorts by the time they arrived at the scene and denied doing anything wrong.

A judge also ordered Bailey to stay away from the car wash and the witness and to continue counselling. He will also be required to register as a sex offender.

The Sun Chronicle reported that Bailey was arrested in 2002 on a similar charged with a similar sentence. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Ousted director Julie Taymor continues support for Spider-Man; says media treated her badly

- Finding the hilarity in cancer — Seth Rogen talks about 50/50
- Film was a tough sell but Rogen says it's both true to life and funny

Selling a cancer comedy

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METRO WORLD NEWS IN HOLLYWOOD

Seth Rogen knew that with 50/50, he had an important and entertaining story to tell — his friend (and screenwriter) Will Reiser's battle with a cancer diagnosis at the age of 25. But he also knew it was going to be a tough sell.

So here's how Rogen, who produced the film and co-stars in it with Joseph Gordon-Levitt, went about bringing a "cancer comedy" to theatres.

Don't fear the C-word.

"The first decision you have to make is to not shy away from what the movie's about. I think you have to let people know it's about cancer and then let them know that it's not f-ing miserable to watch, and that was kind of our entire goal with the marketing, was to really represent what the movie is and really let them know that it's honest and what it's about and that it's going to be a very truthful experience but at the same time it's funny and it's ultimately an enjoyable experience."



► Joseph Gordon-Levitt, left, and Seth Rogen star in 50/50.

But don't put the C-word in the title.

"We're not stupid. We know a title like I'm with Cancer is repellent to some people. I liked it, but something you have to acknowledge being a filmmaker who wants people to see his movies is that what you like and what you know other people are going to like are two vastly different things at times. We thought it was stupid to go through great lengths to make a movie that was re-

ally accessible and enjoyable and crowd-pleasing and then give it a title that would potentially alienate most of the people who wanted to see it."

Find a new title — from wherever you can.

"It's hard to think of a f-ing title. We literally had a box on set that crew members put suggestions in. We offered, like, thousands of dollars if you could think of a title. And I don't think 50/50 was any of those ti-

tles. I don't know who came up with it ultimately. No one got the prize money. One guy on the crew put in like 50 names, and so I think we ended up giving him a couple hundred bucks. 50/50 is a fine title, you know, I get it. It's a title that doesn't repel you from the movie, which for a movie like this is huge."

Aim for as large an audience as possible.

"I've got to be honest, I'm not the kind of guy that

goes and sees little independent movies. It's just not the types of movies I go see. I go see big commercial movies, generally speaking. I honestly don't think a movie has to be built for a small audience in order to be creatively worthwhile. I think that you should be able to take an idea and make it in a way that everyone understands. To me, that's what art is — taking a feeling and articulating it to people, you know?"

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Dunst gets melancholy

► Stars in new movie, *Melancholia*, which is 'beautifully depressing'

Kirsten Dunst, whose new movie, *Melancholia*, is being called "beautifully depressing," is opening up about depression itself.

"I think that most human beings go through

some sort of depression in their life. And if they don't, I think that's weird," she tells Flare magazine in an interview. "People are embarrassed to talk about it — I would never put any-

one down that was in that kind of space."

One area that isn't causing Dunst any sort of depression is her love life, and she says the secret is to not date a fellow actor.

"I've dated someone for a pretty long time now who's not an actor, and it works better," says Dunst, who is currently dating Razorlight singer Johnny Borrell. ● METRO



Talking points

Cowell keeps his exes happy

When Simon Cowell breaks up with a girlfriend, he doesn't like them to leave empty-handed. Cowell claims that he pays his exes after they split so they can maintain the standard of living he's introduced them to, according to Hollyscoop.

"You can't have somebody in your life who's become accustomed to a certain thing and, just because you don't want to be in a relationship any more, say to them, 'No, everything is cut off,'" says Cowell, who is currently engaged to makeup artist Mezhgan Hussainy. ● METRO

Jones keeps baby ID secret

When January Jones filed the birth certificate for her son, Xander Dane Jones, last week, she left the space for the name of the baby's father blank, according to Us Weekly, continuing her vow to not reveal the man's identity. Jones gave birth to Xander, her first child, on Sept. 13 and has yet to be spotted out with the baby.

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Gaga takes her case to Obama

Outraged over the recent suicide death of 14-year-old fan Jamey Rodemeyer, Lady Gaga took her anti-bullying crusade straight to U.S. president Barack Obama this week, according to ABC News.

The pop star attended a \$35,800 per person fundraiser in Silicon Valley, Calif., to press the president on legislation that would make bullying a hate crime.

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Celebrity tweets



"Don't you hate it when somebody always has to say where they are from like that will get them super powers in an argument!"
@chrisbrown



"I love exploring NY! Just ate at an awesome local place called Subway."
@diabolocody



"Anyone coming to the Merriweather show tonight want to take our compost home to your worms?"
@jason_mraz



"Lautner is gonna bang this girl and it has been an hour since three of his parents died!! You don't make out for at least two hours!"
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Travel in brief



The Milwaukee Public Museum is gearing up for its new exhibit on Cleopatra. A five-metre granite statue of a king dating from Cleopatra's dynasty is being uncrated at the museum today. The 5.5-ton Ptolemaic king was recovered from Heracleion, a sunken ancient city near Alexandria, Egypt.

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California governor lifts ban on bars infusing flavours into alcohol; bartenders rejoice

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Kayak in the not-so-desolate Desolation Sound

► Majestic views of the coastal mountains await kayakers in Desolation Sound, B.C.

Desolation Sound Marine Park, on the Sunshine Coast 170 kilometres north of Vancouver, winds its way around the twisted shoreline. The park, established almost 40 years ago, is the largest marine park in B.C. and a popular destination for boaters and kayakers.

From the water, the majestic coastal mountains rise up abruptly from sea level to more than 2,400 metres, high enough to provide a stunning snow-capped backdrop for paddlers and to help them stay cool on even the hottest of days.

According to legend, it was Capt. George Vancouver who dubbed the area Desolation Sound after his first voyage here in 1792, struck as he was by the remote and forbidding landscape. But the stunning beauty of the place — not to mention some rather significant improvements in access, gear and facilities — mean it's anything but desolate now.

At times during the peak season, the biggest problem kayakers and boaters might experience is finding a place to pitch a tent.

After setting out from the small town of Lund, you can paddle to a provincial campsite on the Copeland Islands in Thulin Passage, a serene spot only about an hour's kayak away.



► Capt. George Vancouver dubbed this kayaker's paradise Desolation Sound.

If you go

- Read the BC Parks website on Desolation Sound Marine Provincial Park (env.gov.bc.ca/bcparks/explore/parkpgs/desolation/), in particular the General Wildlife, Marine & Outdoor Ethics Information.
- Check the Tidal Charts and plan your trip accordingly.
- Contact Tourism BC for a list of tour companies who organize kayak trips in Desolation Sound and travel with an experienced guide: hellobc.com.



► A three-day kayak trip makes for sore arms.



► During peak season, kayakers can find it difficult to find a campsite in Desolation Sound.

ther side of the island, where massive coastal trees have washed up on shore to provide the per-

fect spot to watch the curious seals.

The next day, paddle to the provincial campsite on

the Curme Islands, where the salt water beckons after a long day of paddling.

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Journey as important as destination

STUDENT VOICE

HEATHER PAYNE
TALENTEGG.CA

I took a bit of a winding road to get to where I am today. As a university student, I had no idea what I wanted to be.

In third year, I landed a summer internship with a Fortune 500 company in the consumer packaged goods industry. It was a truly excellent experience, so I happily accepted an offer to join them full-time after graduation.

About a month into my final semester at university, while on exchange in Hong Kong, it hit me. I was seeing the world for the first time, and it just didn't feel right to move back to Canada and start my career. I felt like there was so much more to learn.

So, I reneged on my offer and applied for a scholarship with the Chinese government. And I got it!

I spent the summer backpacking around Europe and then moved to Xiamen, China, a small southern coastal city on the mainland and started my Master's in International Relations.

But, in fact, that wasn't right for me either. Although I loved everything about my life in China outside of school, the academic learning curve

What I learned

Key take-aways from Heather's experience:

- Don't be stressed out if you're about to graduate and don't know what you want to do next!
- Follow your passions to do what you're interested in.
- Network with former colleagues, classmates and friends to find something that's right for you.

stopped being so curvey after about six months and I felt like I had gotten what I needed out of the experience — mainly, time to think about the career I wanted to build for myself.

After nearly 15 months, I moved back to Toronto with just a few Renminbi saved up, and no idea what I was going to do next.

Shortly after I returned, I randomly ran into a former colleague of mine — we had managed a McDonald's together in high school. She ended up referring me for a job at her company, and I worked there for a year before I realized where I truly belong — at a start-up where I currently work.

Outside of work, I'm the founder of Ladies Learning Code (www.ladieslearning-code.com), a collective of women working to empower everyone to feel comfortable learning basic programming and other



► Heather Payne tried different career paths before finding her niche.

Where Heather is now

In July, I joined Pinpoint Social, a Toronto-based start-up building on the Facebook platform. We have an application that helps brands and businesses run promotions, contests and coupon giveaways on their Facebook Page.

I lead our sales and marketing effort, and I also manage our client relationships.

technical skills. I also manage social media for the Ivey Alumni Association in Toronto.

I think employers should be more under-

standing of the fact that young people may not know exactly what they want to do after graduation. But that doesn't mean we aren't capable of great things.

Give a young person a challenge, give them ownership of the results, and I think many employers would be amazed by what we can come up with.

It took me longer than I expected to find out where I belong, but the journey was valuable — it got me where I am today.

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Horrible bosses can be psychos, too: Study

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Do you hate your boss? Does their vileness go beyond them passing your work off as their own or making you deal with their dirty laundry?

Paul Babiak, psychologist and co-author of *Snakes in Suits: When Psychopaths Go to Work*, analyzed the personality traits of over 200 corporate professionals across America.

He used the standard Psychopathy Checklist developed by co-author Robert Hare from University of British Columbia. He found that four per cent of them exceeded or reached the cut off point for psychopathy — that's an average of one in 25 people.

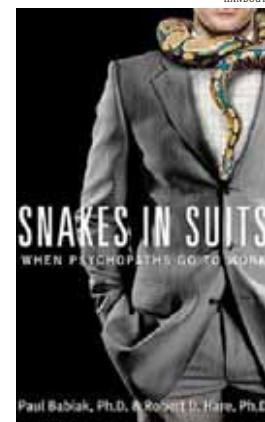
Although psychos are weak on paper (poor performance appraisals), Babiak suggests that they thrive in the corporate world thanks to their ability to convince upper management of their strengths.

"Psychopaths always make a good first impression. They are both charming and grandiose. In reality, they have low managerial skills and have zero loyalty to their company or profession. All they care about is themselves," he explained to Metro.

In short, psychopaths hide behind a beautiful mask. They come across as charismatic leaders but underneath there's nothing but a hollow core. They don't express feelings and show no remorse or guilt, Babiak believes.

Studies have shown them to have difficulty in understanding the true nature of feeling, explaining their emotional poverty and acute insensitiveness.

Half of Babiak's maniac clients have come from the financial service indus-



try. Could the desire for money be meddling with the mind? Babiak thinks psychopaths live a parasitic lifestyle.

"They're parasitic predators, opportunists that latch on to people like parasites and suck out their resources. They seek an easy way to live life so are naturally attracted to where the money is: financial business."

Physical mannerisms can betray a psychopath's true self.

"Research has shown they tend to have an unhealthy relationship with alcohol, known as 'co-morbidity.' You may also of heard of the intense psychopathic stare, a blank glare devoid of emotion," Babiak adds.

Don't fret. We're not saying all bosses are on a mission to make your life miserable. Some of you may immediately jump to the conclusion your boss is a psycho because ultimately, we love sticking labels on just about everything in life.

Psychopath or just plain cruel, whatever you do, don't unleash your boss-related frustration via Facebook feed or tweet your tears.

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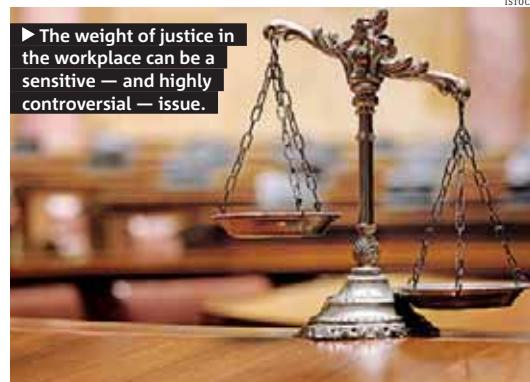
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 Perception can be a dangerous thing. Kevin Johnson was a good worker. He had not been given any warnings or notice that his performance was unsatisfactory.

In the spring of 2009, Johnson noticed he had not been called in for work. His roommate who worked for the same company had been called back but Johnson hadn't heard a thing.

When Johnson called in to find out what was going on he received an unexpected and painful surprise — his employer told him that because of his disability it would be too hard for him to work a long shift as he could not stand that long.

But Johnson didn't have a disability. He was overweight. Believing that this amounted to discrimination, Johnson filed a human rights com-



► The weight of justice in the workplace can be a sensitive — and highly controversial — issue.

plaint.

He testified at the recent hearing that he had weight problems when he was hired and had gained weight over the course of his employment.

However, he had never submitted a request for accommodation and did not believe that his weight negatively affected his ability to carry out the duties of his job.

The core issue was that Johnson's employer believed that he had a physical disability, and treated him negatively because of it. Human Rights legislation across the country protects not only against actual disabilities, but also perceived ones.

This means that all Johnson had to prove was that his employer per-

ceived him to have a physical disability and treated him differently as a result.

In this case, Johnson's employer told him flat out that he was not being offered work because of what they thought was his disability. This was a blatant violation of the human rights legislation and Johnson was awarded damages as a result.

Johnson's case is an important reminder to both employers and employees that what you see isn't always what you get.

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Preparation:

1 In a large mixing bowl, whisk together lemon juice, honey, soy sauce, ginger and garlic. Stir in whole mushrooms until coated. Marinate at room temperature for 30 to 60 minutes, stirring occasionally. Meanwhile, soak bamboo skewers in water for the same time.

Tips

- **Tip:** For convenience marinate mushrooms in a sealed plastic bag, turning a couple of times.
- **Variation:** To serve as a snack or appetizer, omit noodles and sesame seeds. Serve skewers with warm sauce for dipping.

2 Separate onion wedges into individual layers. Remove mushrooms from marinade, reserving marinade in a small saucepan. Thread mushrooms, alternating with onion wedges and sugar or snap peas, onto wooden skewers.

3 Grill on the barbecue for 3 minutes on each side.

4 If using noodles, cook as directed on package. Heat marinade until boiling for 1 to 2 minutes or until thickened slightly.

5 Serve skewers on cooked noodles. Drizzle sauce over noodles and sprinkle with sesame seeds. Serve peanut sauce on side for dipping, if desired.

Ingredients:

- 75 ml (½ cup) fresh lemon juice
- 45 ml (3 tbsp) each liquid honey and soy sauce
- 22 ml (1 ½ tbsp) grated fresh ginger
- 1 large clove garlic, minced
- 32 medium mushrooms (about 500 g/1 lb)
- 8 bamboo skewers (each about 20 cm long)
- ½ small red onion or sweet onion, cut into wedges
- 24 sugar snap or snow peas
- Rice stick noodles (optional)
- Sesame seeds and/or peanut sauce (optional)

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Three-Citrus Raspberry Rickey

- Handful fresh raspberries
- 15 ml (1/2 oz) agave nectar
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- 15 ml (1/2 oz) lime juice
- 30 ml (1 oz) orange juice
- 30 ml (1 oz) vodka
- 30 ml (1 oz) raspberry liqueur
- Club soda or seltzer water
- Ice

In the bottom of a highball glass, gently crush half of the raspberries. Stir in agave nectar, lemon juice, lime juice, orange juice, vodka and raspberry liqueur. Add ice, club soda and remaining raspberries. Stir gently.
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Final day of MLB season sure to be a wild one

The Boston Red Sox maintained a share of the AL wild-card lead last night, using four home runs to beat the Baltimore Orioles 8-7 and set up a dramatic conclusion to the regular season.

The skidding Red Sox were 6-19 in September before rebounding to edge the last-place Orioles. The win, combined with Tampa Bay's 5-3 victory over the New York Yankees, kept Boston and the Rays tied with one game left.

After blowing a nine-game lead in 23 days, the Red Sox send Jon Lester, Boston's winningest pitcher, to the mound against Baltimore tonight in an effort to get into the post-season for the fourth time in five years.

Boston will be looking to put together its first winning streak since sweeping a doubleheader from Oakland on Aug. 27. If the Rays and Red Sox remain tied after tonight, Tampa Bay will host a one-game playoff tomorrow. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

NL wild-card race

- The St. Louis Cardinals are tied with Atlanta for the NL wild-card lead after a 13-6 victory over the Houston Astros last night.
- The sliding Braves lost 7-1 to Philadelphia, sending the race for the NL's final playoff spot to the final day of the regular season.

Karlsson leads Flames past punchless Isles

► Second-year goaltender puts in solid effort to earn shutout for Calgary



► Calgary's Curtis Glencross scores on New York goalie Evgeni Nabokov in the second period last night.

Henrik Karlsson made 13 saves and Curtis Glencross scored the game winner last night as the Calgary Flames beat the New York Islanders 2-0 in NHL pre-season action.

With Calgary icing the more veteran lineup, the young kids on the Islanders found it difficult to generate much offence. When they did, Karlsson was there to shut the door.

The six-foot-five Swede will once again back up Miikka Kiprusoff after going 4-5-5 in that role in his first year in the NHL last



season.

The only offence Karlsson would need came at 4:10 of the second period

on a nice short-handed goal by Glencross, who is coming off a career-high 24-goal season that earned him a new \$10.2-million US, four-year contract.

Matt Stajan gained the Islanders blue-line and cut to his left, threading a pretty pass to Glencross behind the Islanders defence. Glencross continued across the top of the goal crease and tucked a backhand behind veteran Evgeni Nabokov.

Calgary added a second goal at 4:21 of the third period when Lee Stempniak

finished a two-on-one with Alex Tanguay, taking a perfect set-up from the Flames veteran playmaker and firing his second pre-season goal behind Nabokov's replacement, Mikko Koskinen.

Stempniak was acquired from the Phoenix Coyotes at the end of August in exchange for Daymond Langkow.

Calgary improved to 2-3-0 with one pre-season game remaining tomorrow night versus the Phoenix Coyotes.

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| | W | L | Pct | GB |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-----------|
| x-New York | 97 | 64 | .602 | — |
| Boston | 90 | 71 | .559 | 7 |
| Tampa Bay | 90 | 71 | .559 | 7 |
| Toronto | 80 | 81 | .497 | 17 |
| Baltimore | 68 | 93 | .422 | 29 |

CENTRAL DIVISION

| | W | L | Pct | GB |
|-------------|----|----|------|----|
| x-Detroit | 94 | 67 | .584 | — |
| Cleveland | 80 | 81 | .497 | 14 |
| Chicago | 79 | 82 | .491 | 15 |
| Kansas City | 71 | 90 | .441 | 23 |
| Minnesota | 62 | 99 | .385 | 32 |

WEST DIVISION

| | W | L | Pct | GB |
|-------------|----|----|------|----|
| x-Texas | 94 | 66 | .588 | — |
| Los Angeles | 86 | 74 | .538 | 8 |
| Oakland | 72 | 88 | .450 | 22 |
| Seattle | 67 | 93 | .419 | 27 |

x — clinched playoff berth

Last night's results

Chicago White Sox 2 **Toronto** 1

Tampa Bay 5 N.Y. Yankees 3

Boston 8 Baltimore 7

Detroit 7 Cleveland 6

Minnesota 7 Kansas City 4

Texas at L.A. Angels

Oakland at Seattle

Monday's results

Chicago White Sox 4 **Toronto** 3

Baltimore 6 Boston 3

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Seattle 4 Oakland 2

Kansas City 7 Minnesota 3

Detroit 14 Cleveland 0

Today's games

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AL LEADERS

Runs — Granderson, New York, 135; Kinsler, Texas, 119; Ellsbury, Boston, 118; McBride, Detroit, 108;

AdGonzalez, Boston, 107; **Bautista, Toronto**, 105.Home Runs — **Bautista**, Toronto, 43; Granderson, New York, 41; Mar Reynolds, Baltimore, 37; Teixeira, New York, 37; Beltre, Texas, 31; Ellsbury, Boston, 31; Kinsler, Texas, 31; Konerko, Chicago, 31.Stolen Bases — Crisp, Oakland, 48; Gardner, New York, 48; Suzuki, Seattle, 40; Ellsbury, Boston, 38; Andrus, Texas, 35; **Davis, Toronto**, 34; Revere, Minnesota, 34; BUpston, Tampa Bay, 34.

Strikeouts — Verlander, Det., 250; Sabathia, NY, 230; Shields, TB, 225; F.Hernandez, Sea, 222.

Saves — Valverde, Det., 47; MaRivera, NY, 44;

League, Sea, 37; CPerez, Cle, 36; Walden, LA, 32; Feliz, Tex, 31; SSantos, Chicago, 30.

Last night's games not included

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

| | W | L | Pct | GB |
|----------------|-----|----|------|-----|
| x-Philadelphia | 101 | 60 | .627 | — |
| Atlanta | 89 | 72 | .553 | 12 |
| Washington | 79 | 81 | .494 | 21½ |
| New York | 76 | 85 | .472 | 25 |
| Florida | 72 | 89 | .447 | 29 |

CENTRAL DIVISION

| | W | L | Pct | GB |
|-------------|----|-----|------|-----|
| x-Milwaukee | 95 | 66 | .590 | — |
| St. Louis | 89 | 72 | .553 | 6 |
| Cincinnati | 79 | 82 | .491 | 16 |
| Pittsburgh | 72 | 89 | .447 | 23 |
| Chicago | 70 | 90 | .438 | 24½ |
| Houston | 56 | 105 | .348 | 39 |

WEST DIVISION

| | W | L | Pct | GB |
|---------------|----|----|------|-----|
| x-Arizona | 93 | 67 | .581 | — |
| San Francisco | 85 | 75 | .531 | 8 |
| Los Angeles | 81 | 78 | .509 | 11½ |
| Colorado | 72 | 88 | .450 | 21 |
| San Diego | 70 | 90 | .438 | 23 |

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Last night's results

St. Louis 13 Houston 6

Philadelphia 7 Atlanta 1

Cincinnati 9 N.Y. Mets 4 (13 inn.)

Florida 3 Washington 2

Milwaukee 6 Pittsburgh 4

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Chicago Cubs at San Diego

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L.A. Dodgers (Lilly 11-14) at Arizona

J.Saunders 12-12), 9:40 p.m.

NL LEADERS

Runs — Kemp, LA, 113; Braun, Mil, 107; JUpton, Arz, 105; Pujols, Stl, 103; JosReyes, NY, 99; Votto, Cin, 99.

RBI — Kemp, LA, 123; Fielder, Mil, 115;

Howard, Phi, 115; Braun, Mil, 111; Tulowitzki, Col, 105; Votto, Cin, 102; Pujols, St. Louis, 98.

Hits — SCastro, Chi, 204; Kemp, LA, 192;

Bourn, Atl, 189; Pence, Phi, 187; Braun, Mil, 186; Votto, Cin, 184; Phillips, Cin, 182.

Doubles — Votto, Cin, 40; Beltran, SF, 39; JUpton, Arz, 39; Braun, Mil, 38; Calee, Hou, 38; Pence, Phi, 38; Phillips, Cin, 38; CYoung, Arz, 38.

Triples — JosReyes, NY, 16; Victorino, Phi, 16;

Fowler, Col, 15; Bourn, Atl, 10; SCastro, Chi, 9; SSmith, Col, 9.

Last night's game not included

WHITE SOX 2, BLUE JAYS 1

| | AB | R | H | BB | SO | Avg. |
|----------------|-----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-------------|------|
| McCoy ss | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | .263 |
| E.Thames lf | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .263 |
| Bautista rf | 4 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | .304 |
| Lind lb | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | .251 |
| J.Molina c | 4 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | .282 |
| K.Johnson 2b | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | .268 |
| Arenacibala dh | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | .220 |
| Wise pr | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .133 |
| Rasmus cf | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | .177 |
| Woodward ph | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 |
| Teahan 3b | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | .196 |
| Totals | 33 | 1 | 8 | 1 | 10 | |
| AB | R | H | BB | SO | Avg. | |

| | IP | W | R | ER | BB | SO | ERA |
|---------------------------|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| H.Alvarez l-1 | 7 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 6 | 102 | 3.53 |
| Janssen | 1/2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 2.30 |
| Camp | 1/2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 4.27 | |
| Chicago | IP | H | R | ER | BB | SO | ERA |
| Buehrle W, 12-9 | 7 | 6 | 0 | 6 | 7 | 29 | 3.59 |
| Crain H, 24 | 1/2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 19 | 2.62 |
| Sale S, 8-9 | 1/2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 21 | 2.55 |
| T-215, A-239, H-940, 615. | | | | | | | |

BLUE JAYS STATISTICS

| | AB | R | H | HR | RBI | AVG |
|-----------------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| Bautista | 506 | 105 | 153 | 43 | 103 | .302 |
| Lawrie | 150 | 26 | 44 | 9 | 25 | .293 |
| Escobar | 513 | 71 | 149 | 11 | 48 | .290 |
| Molina | 166 | 19 | 46 | 3 | 15 | .277 |
| Encarnacion | 481 | 70 | 131 | 17 | 55 | .272 |
| Johnson | 108 | 15 | 29 | 3 | 9 | .269 |
| Thames | 354 | 58 | 94 | 12 | 36 | .266 |
| Lind | 495 | 56 | 125 | 26 | 87 | .253 |
| Davis | 320 | 44 | 76 | 1 | 29 | .238 |
| Arenacibala | 437 | 47 | 96 | 23 | 72 | .220 |
| Cooper | 67 | 8 | 14 | 2 | 12 | .209 |
| McCoy | 190 | 24 | 38 | 1 | 9 | .200 |
| Teahan | 155 | 14 | 30 | 4 | 13 | .194 |
| Loewen | 32 | 4 | 6 | 1 | 3 | .188 |
| Rasmus | 127 | 14 | 23 | 3 | 13 | .181 |
| Wise | 30 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 2 | .173 |
| Woodward | 9 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 |
| PITCHERS | W | L | SV | IP | PF | ERA |
| McCoy | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Beck | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0.000 |
| Carreno | 1 | 0 | 0 | 15,2 | 14 | 1.15 |
| Janssen | 6 | 0 | 2 | 54 | 50 | 2.33 |
| Romero | 15 | 11 | 0 | 225,0 | 178 | 2.92 |
| Francisco | 1 | 2 | 0 | 56,2 | 34 | 3.65 |
| Villanueva | 6 | 4 | 0 | 107,0 | 68 | 4.04 |
| Camp | 5 | 3 | 1 | 65,0 | 31 | 4.29 |
| Litsch | 6 | 3 | 1 | 75,0 | 44 | 4.44 |
| Cecil | 4 | 11 | 0 | 123,2 | 87 | 4.73 |
| Morrow | 11 | 11 | 0 | 173,1 | 196 | |

Engine

The powertrain lineup of the Coupé should be familiar to Mini fans. Base models are fitted with a 121-horsepower 1.6-litre four-cylinder engine, while the S features a 181-horse turbocharged 1.6.

At the top of the scale is the John Cooper Works (JCW) edition that pumps out 208 horsepower from its turbo motor. The JCW also comes with an aero kit, Brembo-brand brakes, distinctive alloy wheels and a fancier interior.



► The roof is interesting, but is it fashion? Buy a Mini Coupé and you'll have endless debates with your friends and family about it.

Not your average roof

The Coupé's signature design piece and easily the most controversial is its helmet-look roof that, for added emphasis, is painted in a contrasting colour.

The shape appears somewhat jarring and for many viewers will likely remain so. However there's no denying the lid is a truly audacious feature that will cause people to stare wherever the Coupé goes. Edgy shapes such as this odd-looking top take guts to put it into production and the sculptors (and their bosses) at Mini are clearly risk takers.

Active spoiler

In place of the squared-off liftgate on regular Minis, the Coupé features a large hatchback that opens very wide and very high to accommodate a reasonable amount of cargo.

Built into the edge of the cargo door is an active spoiler (with manual override) that automatically extends whenever the Coupé exceeds 80 km/h. The wing isn't just a decorative adornment, as Mini claims it applies up to 40 kilograms of downforce.

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This sporty two-seater is a rolling fashion statement that dares to thumb its nose at practicality and convention.

It's a car you would wear like an Armani suit or Vera Wang dress, which is for the label as much as the look and definitely not for everyday use.

As Minis go, the Coupé is the Mini-est. In the marque's storied 50-year-plus history it has never built a two-seat model, much less a model that shuns the

squared-off look in favour of a rounded roofline.

Still, the car appears every inch a Mini, especially the lower body that looks as if it was lifted from the classic-Mini production line.

In fact, the car's basic proportions — length, width and distance between the front and rear

wheels — are similar to the current two-door Mini Cooper.

It likely didn't make any sense to reduce these values since the Mini is already mini enough and most owners only rarely use the rear-seat as a passenger repository. The only key value that has shrunk is the height, due to the

Coupé's less upright windshield.

Coupé pricing begins at about \$25,000, which is about \$1,500 more than a base hardtop. But as any fashionista knows, you pay more for trendy bespoke attire than for off-the-rack.

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We got word this week that when Prince William borrowed his father's Aston Martin DB6 Mark II to drive his new wife away from Buckingham Palace on their wedding day, he may have driven the sports car somewhat imperfectly.

In fact, he drove it with the parking brake on. Doesn't that make you feel good? Prince William the Royal Navy helicopter pilot? His

wedding day with a few people watching? His father's prized ride, given to him by the Queen on his 21st birthday? Driving with the parking brake on? Come on? That's good stuff...

Makes you feel better about your own car abuse issues, especially those involving other people's cars.

Theoretical question: if you abuse somebody else's car in the forest, and the owner doesn't hear about it, did the abuse really happen? I say no. You're actually doing the owner a favour by deciding it didn't happen. Consider how awkward you would make them feel, if they had to ask you for monetary compensation?

Because cars can't talk back, they can take a fair amount of mild abuse, before they are forced to retaliate somehow. Leaving the parking brake on is a fairly common and mild in-



► Driving away from Buckingham Palace on his wedding day, Prince William borrowed his father's Aston Martin DB6 Mark II. It turns out William made a mistake while driving the vintage car.

discretion. So is turning the engine on when it is already on. You get that wild screech, to remind you, and everyone within earshot, what a boneheaded move you just made — but you and your car seem to be able to recover quickly.

Another pain I've inflicted on my cars over the

years is turning the wipers on when they are frozen to the windshield. This can burn out a wiper motor, or strip the wiper transmission assembly. But worse is the knowledge that you just condemned the wipers and its power system to a few moments of silent, gut-busting misery, as they strain to

move in the frozen ice. Horrible.

Once I drove my beloved original VW Beetle on the highway in third gear. I had the stereo so loud I didn't realize the car was revving its little head off, until it was time to downshift to the gear I was already in. When I turned Deep Purple down, I could hear the VW

wailing away like an airplane on take-off.

I enjoy looking after a vehicle's maintenance needs, so you can't accuse me, as you might of others, of abusing a vehicle through failing to provide the necessities of life.

Not saying it's you, but there are owners out there who haven't changed their vehicle's engine oil or air filter since the Federal Liberals were in power.

And I've seen more than one owner driving around with their Check Engine light on, like it was just there as a suggestion, and not really a call to action.

If you're one of those people, take heed of what happened to stand-up comedian Dobie Maxwell: "My Check Engine light came on today. But I couldn't check it; there was too much smoke. Then the Game Over light came on. I hadn't seen that one before."

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While your car's contact with the road is through the tread of its tires, your vehicle is actually riding on the cushion of air inside them. The pressure in your tires is of vital importance: for starters, it's what keeps your tires on their rims.

"The bead is the part of the tire that holds the tire on the wheel," says Orazio Mastracchio, quality product manager for Canada at Pirelli Tire.

"There is a groove in the wheel, which is called a hump. Once the tire is inflated, the bead sits in the hump, keeping the air in the tire hermetically sealed."

A tire has to be extremely low on air before it separates from the rim, but even a few pounds of pressure too low or high can be detrimental. If a tire is low, it creates more rolling resistance, which in turn wastes fuel — as much as two weeks' worth over the course of a year. The tire also runs hotter, which can reduce its lifespan. If the pressure is too high, the tire will wear unevenly and produce a harsher ride.

Both over- and under-inflated tires can also affect the car's steering, braking and stability control.

Many cars now have tire pressure monitoring systems, which continuously measure each tire's pressure electronically and flash a warning if one gets too low. However, these are primarily for safety and only notify you when a tire is 25 per cent below its recommended level. You could still be wasting fuel due to a tire that's low on air but not enough to trigger the warning.

Tire pressure should be checked once a month, Mastracchio says, and before leaving on long trips, when carrying heavy loads, or when towing a trailer. Tire gauges are inexpensive and can help save you considerably on your fuel bills.

The recommended pressure varies by vehicle and



tire. It's found in the owner's manual or on a sticker found in the driver's door jamb, on the glovebox door, or inside the fuel filler door.

Don't go by the number molded into the tire, which is the maximum it can hold. To check it, remove the small cap on the tire's valve stem, press the gauge firmly onto it, and then check the number on the gauge. Add air at a service station if the tire is low.

Gauge accuracy can sometimes be problematic, Mastracchio says, especially if the gauge is old or has been dropped.

"Have one that you use as a reference, and another that you use to check the pressure," he says.

"This way, you will always know where you stand with your pressure."

7C

All-season tires have inferior grip to winter tires when the temperature reaches 7C, even on dry roads. Switching to winter tires vastly improves handling and stopping distances.

A solid car with an outstanding warranty

SECOND GEAR

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Mitsubishi's shot at family sedans like the Honda Accord, Chevrolet Malibu and Toyota Camry was called the Galant.

The latest generation of this machine was available during model years 2004 to 2010 inclusive, though it's now been discontinued.

All models were front-drive sedans.

Look for features like leather seating, premium audio with MP3 compatibility and an auxiliary input jack, air conditioning, cruise control, heated mirrors, remote access and a six-way adjustable driver's seat.



2004 to 2010 Mitsubishi Galant

Engine



Galant offered up both a 2.4-litre four-cylinder or a 3.8-litre V-6 with 160 or 230 horsepower, respectively. Later in the Galant's life, a sporty Ralliart version was offered with a 258-hp version of the V-6.

What owners like



Spaciousness, a comfortable ride, unique styling and easy-to-use controls are among the Galant's most highly-rated attributes. Some owners also report low maintenance costs and reasonable gas mileage with the four-cylinder. Overall value for the money is rated highly.

What owners dislike



Many Galant drivers call the four-cylinder noisy and underpowered, and others wish that the gear-shift console would light up at night. A quieter ride and more exciting interior styling are also on the wish-lists of many.

Common issues

A "scan" by a Mitsubishi-trained technician can reveal any sensor or computer-related issues, including problems with emission control sensors and oxygen sensors, which could be pricey to replace.

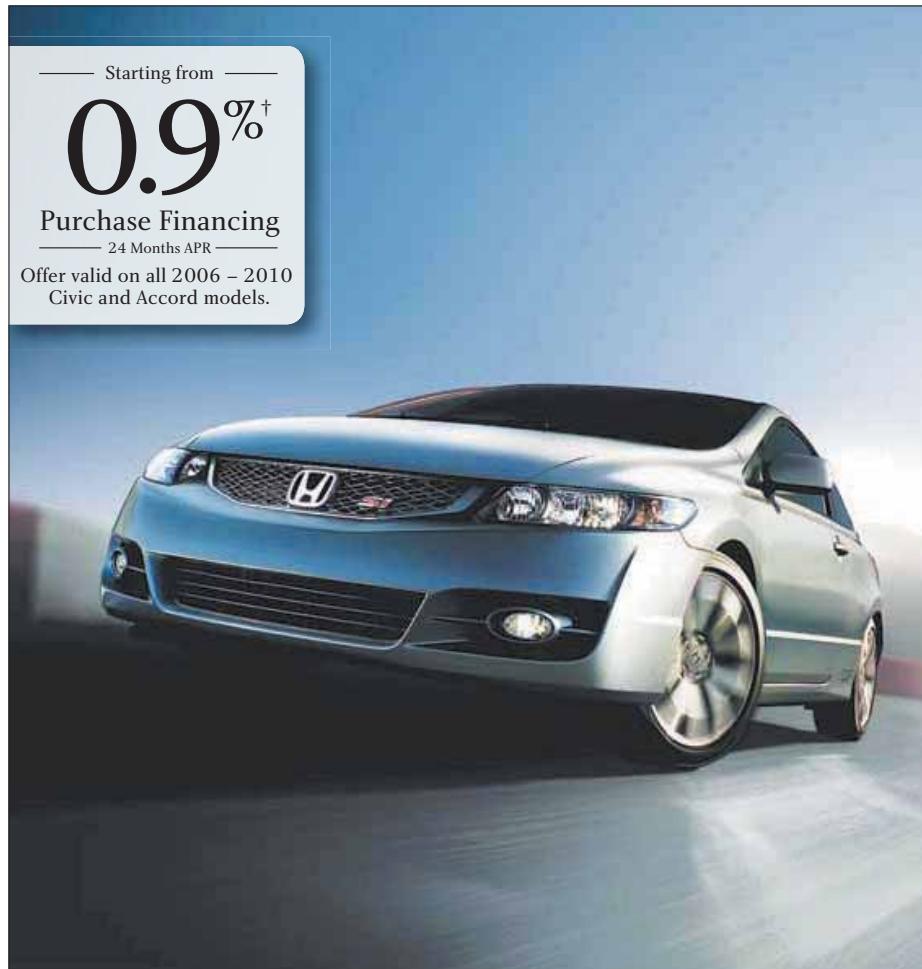
Note that a rattling sound from under the hood or under the car could be caused by a loose heat shield, and that a scraping or "rattling" sound in the steering column could be caused by a loose part of the turn-signal cancel mechanism.

Verdict

The Galant seems pleasantly free of large, systematic or worrisome problems. Combined with the excellent factory powertrain warranty (10 years or 160,000 kilometres), it's a sedan that most shoppers could buy with confidence.

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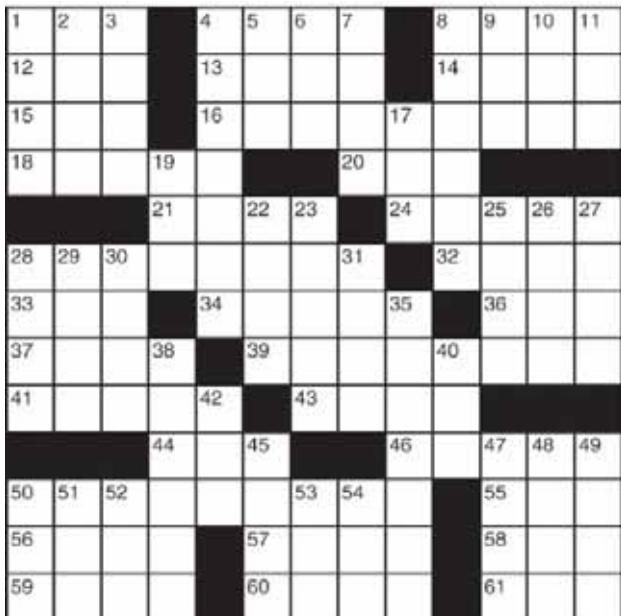
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Across

1 DNA sharer
4 Venomous vipers
8 Exploding star
12 Praise in verse
13 Other people
14 Final notice
15 Supporting
16 Put under
18 Pond cover
20 Actor McBride
21 Peacekeeping org.
24 Decorator's theme
28 Spoof
32 1492 ship
33 Work with
34 Valuable collection
36 Door opener
37 Chinese dynasty
39 Fill with 6-Down
41 Turkish official
43 Birthright barterer
44 Sprite
46 Between-meal
munchie
50 Dangle a carrot
55 Hawaiian garland
56 Help a thief
57 Stench
58 Diner order, briefly
59 Pedestal part
60 Courts
61 Brewery product

Down

1 Couch
2 Pedestal occupant
3 Longtime "Mad"
cartoonist Dave
4 Essentially
5 Bashful
6 Vigor
7 Harmonization
8 Idea



9 Sapporo sash 35 Chalk-board accessories 54 Menagerie
10 Namely (Abbr.) 38 Depressed urban area
11 Chowed down 40 Pistol 55
17 Resistance measure 42 — carte
19 Blackbird 45 Go smoothly
22 Grow weary 47 Actress Jessica
23 Pure air 48 Honeycomb compartment
25 Polynesian icon 49 Prop for Ben
26 Don Juan's mother 50 Tiny bit
27 Actress Dunaway 51 Lawyers' org.
28 Draining reservoir 52 Homer's neighbor
29 Largest of the seven 53 Altar affirmative
30 Sawbucks 54
31 Prior nights 55

► Yesterday's answer



Today's horoscope



Aries March 21-April 20 There is no point trying to hide your feelings. Others can see that you are not happy.

Taurus April 21-May 21 It's okay to be skeptical about what you are told, especially on the work front.

Gemini May 22-June 21 Don't commit yourself to anything that you do not have complete control over.

Cancer June 22-July 22 Your logic circuits cannot be trusted, at least not for the next 24 hours.

Leo July 23-Aug. 23 Let your mind lead you where it wants to go.

Virgo Aug. 24-Sept. 22 Today's Sun-Pluto link suggests you may have to bend to the whims of people in positions of power.

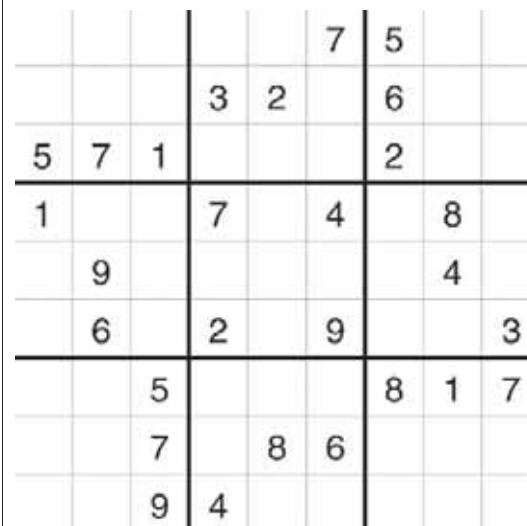
Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 No matter how strong your current opponent may be you can still beat them.

Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 Spend some time by yourself.

Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 You are in no mood to take advice, not even if it is good advice.

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How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's answer ►



A look at the weather

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Max 17°

FRIDAY
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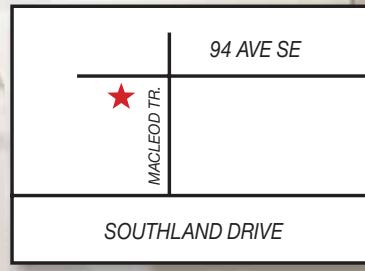
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